

NOTICE OF MEETING

CABINET

TUESDAY, 21 MARCH 2023 AT 12.30 PM

COUNCIL CHAMBER - THE GUILDHALL, PORTSMOUTH

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Public health guidance for staff and the public due to Winter coughs, colds and viruses, including Covid-19

- Following the government announcement 'Living with Covid-19' made on 21 February 2022 and the end of universal free testing from 1 April 2022, attendees are no longer required to undertake any asymptomatic/ lateral flow test within 48 hours of the meeting; however, we still encourage attendees to follow the public health precautions we have followed over the last two years to protect themselves and others including vaccination and taking a lateral flow test should they wish.
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Membership

Councillor Gerald Vernon-Jackson CBE (Chair) Councillor Suzy Horton (Vice-Chair) Councillor Chris Attwell Councillor Jason Fazackarley (NB This agenda should be retained for future reference with the minutes of this meeting.)

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<u>A G E N D A</u>

Apologies for Absence

Declarations of Interests

Record of Previous Decision Meeting - 21 February 2023 and 7 March 2023 (Pages 5 - 12)

A copy of the record of the previous decisions taken at Cabinet on 21 February 2023 is attached. The record of the decision meeting on 7 March 2023 is to follow.

Hilsea Community Centre - Feasibility Outcome (Pages 13 - 28)

<u>Purpose</u>

To provide Cabinet with and update on work to establish the feasibility of a new community centre in the Hilsea Ward.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet

- 1. Note the outcome of the work to find a suitable location for a potential new community centre in the Hilsea ward.
- 2. Agree that in light of the conclusions of the feasibility work that Portsmouth City Council funding and/or building a new community centre is not feasible.
- 3. Instruct officers to continue to work with VIVID to bring back into use an existing community centre located in the Hilsea Ward at Howard Road to the benefit of the community.
- 4. Note the progress of a Youth Investment Fund bid in the Hilsea Ward utilising the VIVID owned community centre located in Howard Road which complements the facility and would work alongside a community centre.
- 5. Note the potential for further community space to be available arising from the Hilsea Linear Park consultation and asks that the design of a social housing scheme at Hilsea Lodge considers including a community room/space.
- 6. Note the work to engage existing property owners in the Hilsea Ward,

specifically, Gatcombe House and the Rugby Club to promote a community hire rate and the positive outcome of those discussions.

Widening Participation in Local Democracy (Pages 29 - 36)

Purpose

To summarise the steps currently being undertaken to encourage participation in the electoral process and what further measures can be taken to increase participation.

Member Champions Annual Update (Pages 37 - 46)

Purpose

To update Cabinet on the work of Member Champions during the 2022/23 municipal year.

Development of equalities and diversity strategy (Pages 47 - 60)

Purpose

To update Cabinet on work undertaken to support the development of a new equalities and diversity strategy for the council.

PFI - The Way Forward (Pages 61 - 72)

<u>Purpose</u>

- 1. The purpose of this report is to summarise PCC's current contractual and commercial position in relation to the PFI Highways Maintenance Contract.
- 2. To note the transfer to the Regeneration Directorate and proposed arrangements to manage the contract.
- 3. To note the contract ends on 31 March 2030 and make members aware of the process of contractual Handback.
- 4. To note the first steps in preparing for highways maintenance that follows the end of the PFI contract.

Proposed extension to Shared Service Provision of Emergency Preparedness, Resilience and Response Services (Pages 73 - 86)

Purpose

To recommend extending the service level agreement with Southampton City Council in relation to the full provision of the emergency preparedness, resilience, and response (EPRR) function.

RECOMMENDED that the Cabinet

- Gives the Director: Culture, Leisure, and Regulatory Services (CLRS) delegated authority to extend the Service Level Agreement (SLA) with Southampton City Council for the continued provision of the joint emergency preparedness, resilience, and response function with effect from 1st April 2023 at the latest for a further 5 years upon such terms and conditions as the Service Director: CLRS considers appropriate.
- 2. Gives the Director: Culture, Leisure, and Regulatory Services (CLRS)

delegated authority to employ such staff as are reasonably required to undertake the services under the SLA.

Climate Change - A Year in Review (Pages 87 - 92)

Purpose

To provide an overview of climate change activities that have been delivered in the previous year and activities that are underway.

Support for armed forces families (Pages 93 - 96)

Purpose

To update the Cabinet on work to renew Portsmouth City Council's affiliation with His Majesty's Naval Base, Portsmouth, and provide a summary of ongoing priorities for providing support to support serving families.

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